

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Previously Cancelled)

Claim 2 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim 355, wherein:
the storage section includes flash memory, and
the integrated circuit chip includes a microcomputer, a control gate array, and a connector.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim 355, wherein the game initial data includes a character data set regarding the character controlled by the player with the gaming machine, a bonus data set, or a combination thereof.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim 355, wherein the game initial data stored in the storage section is selected randomly from a game initial data group.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended) A token for a gaming machine on which a player plays a game by controlling a character, comprising:
an integrated circuit chip having a storage section storing at least game initial data regarding the character and being attachable to and detachable from a figure identifying one of a plurality of selectable characters;
wherein the game initial data is selectable from the identified character's initial data and is read by the gaming machine when the figure with the token is set on the gaming machine. ~~The token according to Claim 35, and~~
wherein the game initial data has a bonus data set providing a predetermined

profit in a game.

Claim 6 (Previously Cancelled)

Claim 7 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~35~~5, wherein the token is utilized for providing a strategic simulation game.

Claim 8 (Cancelled)

Claim 9 (Currently Amended) The figure according to Claim 128, wherein:
the storage section includes flash memory, and
the integrated circuit chip includes a microcomputer, a control gate array, and a connector.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended) The figure according to Claim ~~8~~12, wherein the game initial data includes a character data set regarding the one character, ~~a bonus data set, or a combination thereof.~~

Claim 11 (Currently Amended) The figure according to Claim ~~8~~12, wherein the game initial data stored in the storage section is selected randomly from a game initial data group.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended) ~~The figure according to Claim 8;~~ A figure for a gaming machine, comprising:
a form identifying one of a plurality of characters which is used in the gaming machine;
a base portion to which the form is attached; and
a token having an integrated circuit chip with a storage section for storing at least game initial data, and being attachable to and detachable from the base portion;

wherein the game initial data stored in the storage section is read by the gaming machine when the figure with the token is set on the gaming machine, and

~~wherein the game initial data has bonus data- providing a predetermined profit in the game.~~

Claim 13 (Previously Cancelled)

Claim 14 (Currently Amended) The figure according to Claim 812, wherein the token is attached to the base portion in order to provide a strategic simulation game.

Claims 15-24 (Previously Cancelled)

Claim 25 (Cancelled)

Claim 26 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~25~~29, wherein: the figure is a three dimensional representation of the identified character.

Claim 27 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~25~~29, wherein: the game initial data is data for the identified character selected from a plurality of game initial data which includes condition data for each of the plurality of selectable characters;

the condition data for each of the plurality of selectable characters includes a plurality of different condition data; and

the selected data includes condition data selected from the plurality of different condition data for the identified character.

Claim 28 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~25~~29, wherein: the token has a shape so as to be attachable to the figure by insertion into a recess in a surface of the figure.

Claim 29 (Currently Amended) A token for a gaming machine on which a player plays a game by controlling one of a plurality of selectable characters, comprising:
a storage section storing at least game initial data, and being attachable to and detachable from a figure identifying one of the plurality of selectable characters;
wherein the game initial data stored in the storage section is read by the gaming machine when the figure with the token is set on the gaming machine~~The token according to Claim 25, wherein;~~
wherein the gaming machine is configured to dispense, to the player based on progress of the play of the game, a game coin having a size and a thickness corresponding to a coin slot for inserting the game coin into the gaming machine to commence or continue play of the game; and
wherein the token has a size and thickness substantially similar to the size and the thickness of the game coin.

Claim 30 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~25~~29, wherein the game initial data includes an identification code identifying the token.

Claim 31 (Currently Amended) ~~The token according to Claim 25,~~ A token for a gaming machine on which a player plays a game by controlling one of a plurality of selectable characters, comprising:
a storage section storing at least game initial data, and being attachable to and detachable from a figure identifying one of the plurality of selectable characters;
wherein the game initial data stored in the storage section is read by the gaming machine when the figure with the token is set on the gaming machine; and
wherein the game initial data includes a bonus data set for providing a predetermined profit in the game.

Claim 32 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~25~~29, wherein:

the gaming machine is configured to commence play of the game only after receipt of a payable value from the player_i; and
the stored game initial data also includes a bonus data set having the payable value.

Claim 33 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~25~~29, wherein:
the token is securable in a recess formed in a bottom face of a base portion of the figure.

Claim 34 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~25~~29, wherein:
the game initial data is selected data from a group of initial data for the identified character.

Claim 35 (Cancelled)

Claim 36 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~35~~5, wherein:
the game initial data is data for the character selected from a plurality of game initial data which includes condition data for each of the plurality of selectable characters_i;

the condition data for each of the plurality of selectable characters includes a plurality of different condition data_a; and

the selected data includes condition data selected from the plurality of different condition data for the identified character.

Claim 37 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~35~~5, wherein:
the token is attachable to the figure by insertion into a recess in a surface of the figure.

Claim 38 (Currently Amended) A token for a gaming machine on which a player

plays a game by controlling a character, comprising:

an integrated circuit chip having a storage section storing at least game initial data regarding the character and being attachable to and detachable from a figure identifying one of a plurality of selectable characters;

wherein the game initial data is selectable from the identified character's initial data and is read by the gaming machine when the figure with the token is set on the gaming machine~~The token according to Claim 35, wherein:~~

the gaming machine is configured to dispense, to the player based on progress of the play of the game, a game coin having a size and a thickness corresponding to a coin slot for inserting the game coin into the gaming machine to commence or continue play of the game;⁴ and

the token has a size and thickness substantially similar to the size and the thickness of the game coin.

Claim 39 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~35~~⁵, wherein the game initial data also includes an identification code identifying the token.

Claim 40 (Cancelled)

Claim 41 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~35~~⁵, wherein: the gaming machine is configured to commence play of the game only after receipt of a payable value from the player;⁵ and

~~the stored game initial data also includes a bonus data set having the payable value.~~

Claim 42 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim ~~35~~⁵, wherein: the token is securable in a recess formed in a bottom face of a base portion of the figure.

Claim 43 (Currently Amended) The token according to Claim 128, wherein:
the token is secured in a recess formed in a bottom face of the base.